

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

HB 1962 – SB 2814

February 24, 2022

SUMMARY OF BILL: Increases, from one dollar to five dollars, the minimum fine that may be imposed upon an executor or administrator of an estate for failing to timely appear before the clerk of the probate court to settle any outstanding accounts.

FISCAL IMPACT:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions:

- Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 30-2-613(c), a delinquent executor or administrator, upon indictment or presentment in the circuit or criminal court, is required to be fined a minimum of one dollar.
- The proposed legislation increases, from one dollar to five dollars, the minimum required fine for failure to appear before the court to settle outstanding accounts.
- Based on the Fiscal Review Committee's 2008 study and the Administrative Office of the Courts' 2012 study on collection of court costs, fees, and fines, collection in criminal cases is insignificant. The proposed legislation will not significantly change state or local revenue.
- Any additional workload on the courts, as a result of this legislation, can be accommodated within existing resources and personnel.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Krista Lee Carsner, Executive Director

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